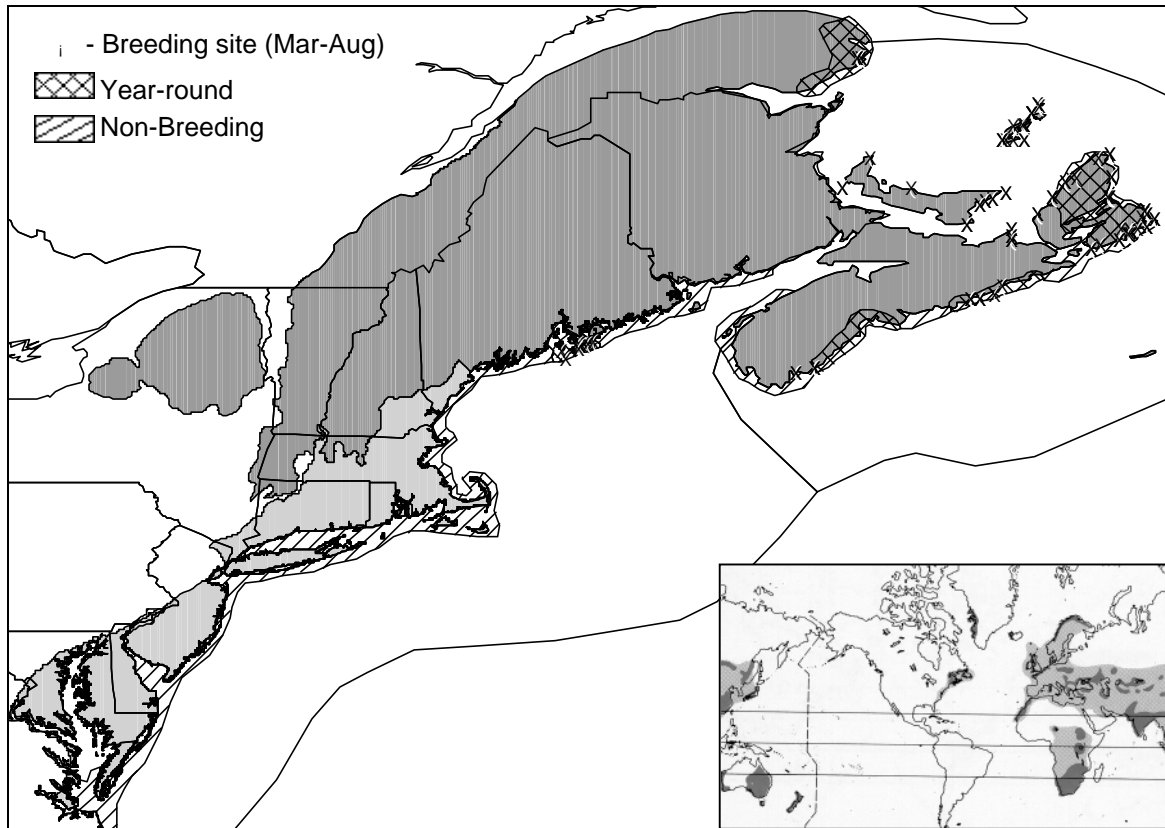


# GREAT CORMORANT

*Phalacrocorax carbo carbo*



## Regional Occurrence (BCRs 14, 30)

- Distribution: breeds in BCR 14; winters in region
- Habitats used: lakes, rivers, and seacoasts; nesting in trees and on cliffs and along seacoasts

NAWCP BD=4; NAWCP ND=4

## Regional Abundance

- 1990s population: US—378 (9 colonies); CAN—11,920
- 1980s population: US—190 (7 colonies)
- 98.9% increase in regional population

NAWCP PS=3; NAWCP PT=3

## Regional Threats

- Mortality in winter months due to weather and food shortage
- Very susceptible to human disturbance, especially when found nesting in mixed colonies with gulls

NAWCP TB=2; NAWCP TN=2

## Conservation Status: Abundance (b=breeding individuals, nb=nonbreeding, t=total individuals) and Conservation Rank

Global	North America	BCR 14	BCR 30	Mid-Atlantic	S. New England	Gulf of Maine	Maritimes
>953,400 - 1,360,400t	12,300b	12,298b	0b	0b	0b	378b	11,920b
IUCN- Not Evaluated	NAWCP- Moderate Concern (PI=4-5%)	High (PI=100%)	Moderate (PI=0%)	NJ- S4N; DE- S2N MD-S2N; VA-SN	NY-S?N; CT-SZN RI- SZN; MA, VT- no info	MA- no info; NH- SZN; ME- S3B, S3N; NB- SZM, S3N ; NS- S4B	QC- S4; NB- SZM, S3N PE- S3B; NS-S4B

**Conservation Needs:** *Sustainability:* 2.2-2.4 young / nest; *Foraging Habitat:* during breeding feeds in sheltered inshore waters (<20m deep) generally within few km of colony; surface diver up to 35 m, but usually <10m. May feed in both marine and fresh water; *Issues:* Growth in population numbers in the twentieth century likely due to reduction in the depredation of cormorants by fisheries (permits were issued for aquaculture facilities); *Needs:* monitor; *Population Goals:* maintain (above minimum), target 11,100-13,500b; *Habitat Goals:*